

REMARKS

This Request for Continued Examination is filed for the purpose of submitting the accompanying Information Disclosure Statement.

Allowed dependent claims 3–6 and 8–9 are amended to delete the unnecessary limitation to the composition of the film produced using the specified TEOS precursor. Since these claims all depend on an allowed independent claim, the amendment should not affect their patentability.

The newly added method and apparatus claims are directed to the same novel features as the allowed claims, hence their examination should not require a different field of search. Therefore, pursuant to MPEP 808.02, the newly added claims should not be subject to a restriction requirement.

Support in the original specification for the newly added claims is as follows:

Claim 62, paragraph 2; claim 70, paragraph 2; claim 75, paragraph 3; and claim 81, paragraph 3, are supported by paragraphs [0041] and [0042] of the specification.

Claim 62, paragraph 3; claim 70, paragraph 3; claim 75, paragraph 4; and claim 81, paragraph 4, are supported by paragraphs [0048] and [0042] of the specification.

Claim 62, last paragraph, and claim 75, last paragraph, are supported by Table 2 following paragraph [0057] of the specification.

Claims 63–64 and 72–73 are supported by paragraphs [0002], [0011] and [0013].

Claims 65 and 76 are supported by Table 2 following paragraph [0057].

Claims 66, 77, the last paragraph of claim 70, and the last paragraph of claim 81 are supported by Table 2 following paragraph [0057].

Claims 67, 71, 78 and 82 are supported by Table 1 following paragraph [0054].

Claims 68 and 79 supported by paragraphs [0054] through [0056].

Claims 69, 74, 80 and 83 are supported by paragraph [0046].

Respectfully submitted,



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